

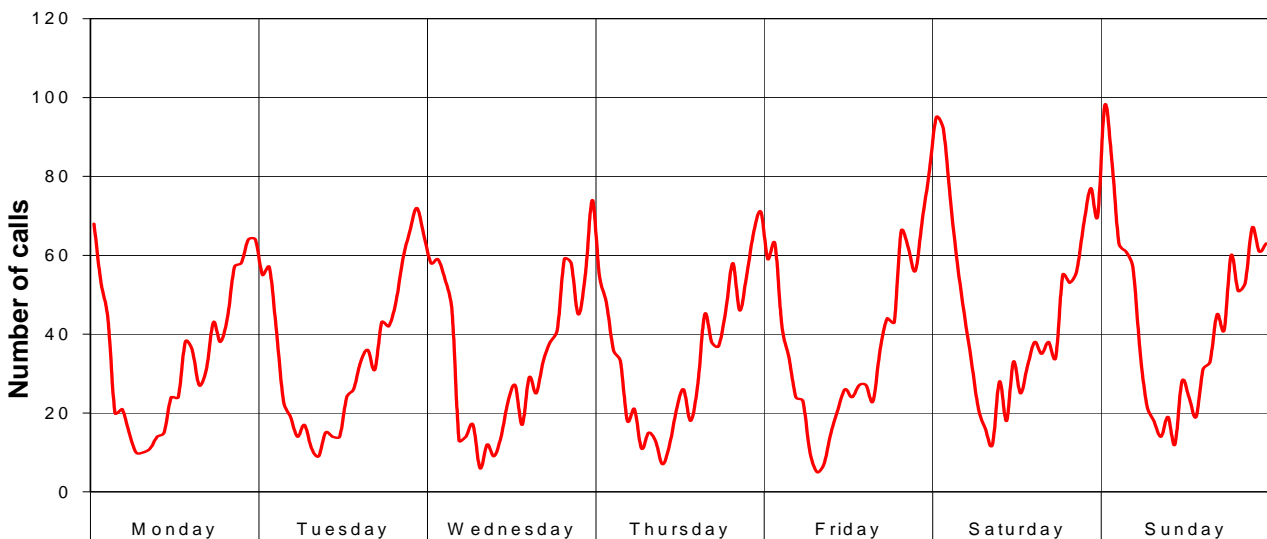


Delivering our aims, refining our plans

We continue to believe that better information allows better decisions to be taken and better care to be delivered. We continue to work on: implementation of the Mental Health Information Strategy; testing the datasets we have developed; aiding access to national data; and ensuring that required management data can be obtained, as far as possible, from clinical communication. For more details contact alastair.philp@nhs.net.

Improving access to nationally consistent information: graph of the month

Psychiatric 999 Calls by Time of Week, Scotland 2005-2006



Data supplied by the Scottish Ambulance Service to the Scottish Executive Health Department and previously made available to [Joint Local Co-ordinators](#). To learn more contact dee.fraser@scotland.gsi.gov.uk.

Building consensus on what information to share and how

Borders have now completed their 12-week test implementation of the [Information Core for Integrated Care \(ICIC\)](#). Participants very kindly took the time to meet with the ICIC Project Manager and take part in an interview to evaluate their experience of test implementation. The findings are currently being transcribed and will be presented to the team along with their final analysis in July.

NHS Lothian have agreed to 'go live' with the [Psychiatric Inpatient Clinical Discharge Summary Information Set \(PIC-DSIS\)](#) on 31st July and work continues to ensure a smooth start to this. Subject to successful launch of the ICIC test in mid July, NHS Forth Valley have tentatively agreed to also start at the end of July. For more details please contact Margaret.Mason@isd.csa.scot.nhs.uk.

Supporting national policy developments

As usual we have been involved in work in several areas during the last month. This includes

- Preparation of a discussion paper for our programme board group exploring what information is required to support quality improvement, management and planning of mental health services. The paper sought to establish what questions we need to answer and where we can find the data to answer them. This paper is now being reworked for presentation to the Scottish [Mental Health Delivery Plan](#) group.
- A meeting with the [National Confidential Inquiry into Suicide and Homicide by People with Mental Illness](#) to discuss statistics on those who die due to intentional self-harm while in a psychiatric hospital or within a month of discharge.